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1. It is reported that the Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) is continuing to plot against the Hertzog Government of Bolivia in spite of the arrests and deportations which took place in January of 1948. The leader of these subversive elements is believed to be Luis Penalosa, who held a meeting of MNR leaders at his home in La Paz. The Bolivian Police reportedly regarded this meeting as extremely important and posted observation at the front and rear of Penalosa's house. Among those present were the following MNR leaders: Julio Acha, Francisco Sebastian, Jose Ponce Abanto, Ela Campero, and Augusto Fernandez.
2. Revolutionary attempt to overthrow the existing Government. Meanwhile, conversations are being held by MNR leaders with leaders of the Falange Socialista Boliviana (FSB) and of the Centro de Estudios Historicos y Geograficos Americanos (CEHGA). Liaison between the CEHGA and the MNR is reported maintained through Oscar Altamirano, a member of the Comando Nacional of the MNR. The leaders of CEHGA who have been most prominently identified with the revolutionary activities of the MNR are: Enrique Rivero y Aliaga, Commander of CEHGA; Carlos Cruz Rivera, Delegate of the Comando Departamental de Potosi; Eduardo Ramirez La Rúa; and German Saravia.
3. The activities of the CEHGA have been intensified in recent weeks, and it is reported that this has been brought about through the financial assistance which the organization has received from the MNR. One of the more important developments of this recent activity has been the opening of a headquarters at Calle Ayacucho 257, La Paz, where a permanent secretariat of the CEHGA is now located.

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